THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BAND

Washington, D.C.

Colonel George S. Howard Young Artist Competition 2004 competition for brass and percussion

· Prize

Winner will perform as a soloist with The United States Air Force Band during the 2004 Guest Artist Series at DAR Constitution Hall, Washington, D.C.

· WHO CAN ENTER?

The 2004 United States Air Force Band Young Artist Competition is open to high school brass and percussion instrumentalists in grades 9-12 who are United States citizens. The 2005 competition will be open to woodwind players.

REQUIRED REPERTOIRE:

FRENCH HORN Mozart – Concerto No. 1, mvt. I **TRUMPET** Arutunian – Concerto for Trumpet

TROMBONE Pryor – Thoughts of Love, Valse de Concert

BASS TROMBONE Jacob – Cameos, mvts. I, II & V EUPHONIUM Bellstedt/arr. Simon – Napoli TUBA Smith – Ballad & Presto

PERCUSSION Creston – Concertino for Marimba, mvt. I

APPLICATION INFORMATION

PRELIMINARY ROUND REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Videotape of applicant performing required selection in its entirety with accompaniment. Performance must be without cuts, stopping or editing. (Use standard 1/2" VHS tape; name and instrument on the videotape spine)
- 2. Typewritten letter with applicant's name, instrument, address, telephone number, school, grade, email address and statement (signed by a parent) agreeing to appear at the Washington, D.C. finals at the applicant's expense. Air travel and lodging (if required) will be provided to the winner and a chaperone for the winner's appearance on the Guest Artist Series.
- 3. Optional: you may include a simultaneously recorded high quality audio cassette tape or CD of your audition performance in addition to, <u>but not instead of</u>, the videotape. Previous winners are ineligible.

VIDEOTAPE, LETTER, & OPTIONAL AUDIO RECORDING (IN ONE PACKAGE) MUST BE RECEIVED BY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2003.

SEND PACKAGE TO: TSgt Melinda Burts

The United States Air Force Band/BABB

201 McChord St., Bolling AFB, DC 20032-0202

(Tapes will be returned if a postage paid, self-addressed mailer is included.)

DO NOT MAIL TAPE BY U.S. POSTAL SERVICE. SEND TAPE BY UPS, FEDERAL EXPRESS, OR OTHER COMMERCIAL SHIPPER.

Final round invitation letters will be mailed by December 1, 2003. The final round will be held Thursday afternoon, January 8, 2004 in Washington, D.C. All finalists must perform with piano accompaniment. Local accompanist is available for hire. Winner will perform with The USAF Band in February or March 2004.

For further information, call (202) 404-8363 or e-mail youngartist@USAFBand.com.

The United States Air Force Band is wholeheartedly committed to reflecting the diversity of our great nation. We actively encourage individuals from all cultural and ethnic backgrounds to learn about our organization and seek positions with "America's International Musical Ambassadors."